COUNCIL BRIEFS

June 2, 2017

Celebrate! West Hartford, June 10 & 11:

Celebrate! West Hartford is a two-day event spotlights our award-winning school bands and top-notch professional entertainment on the Show Stage and includes a huge food court featuring festival favorites as well as delicious samplings from some of West Hartford's finest restaurants, markets and caterers. There will be a representation of civic, community and non-profit organizations, games and activities, carnival rides and a juried arts and crafts show showcasing the original works of 165 master artists and crafters. On Sunday there's a 5K road race and a Kids Fun Run.

Celebrate West Hartford runs Saturday from 10 AM to 6 PM, and Sunday from 12 PM to 6 PM. It's held rain or shine, and admission is free. www.celebratewesthartford.com

Best Cities for K-12 teachers: GoodCall.com, a consumer research website, reviewed data from 689 cities nationwide and ranked West Hartford, CT #20 in the U.S. West Hartford was featured within the top 10% for its educational values, K-12 teacher salaries and job availability, amenities, affordability, and low unemployment and crime rates.

Spring Yard Waste Collection, June 5-9: The Department of Public Works will make a final round of its Spring Yard Waste Collection during the week of June 5-9.

"Yard Waste" is defined as leaves, pine needles, pine cones, acorns, twigs, dead plant matter and thatch. Place yard waste into a 30-gallon paper biodegradable bags and put the bags at the curb on your trash collection day. Click here for more information.

Senior Day & Health Fair attracts hundreds: Over 400 attendees come through the West Hartford Senior Center door on May 17 for Senior Day & Health Fair. The event is cosponsored by West Hartford-Bloomfield Health District and Brookdale Senior Living Solutions.

There were over 48 vendors of senior services in attendance representing home health agencies, retirement communities, specialty services, and more. Many attendees took advantage of the preventative health screenings including balance, cholesterol, mood and memory, blood pressure, urinalysis, dental, vision, diabetes, nutrition, and senior safety. There was even complimentary Chair Massages & Reiki. For information on next year's event contact the West Hartford Senior Center at 860 561-7583.

Two Parking Garages switch to kiosks:

Beginning June 14, the Isham and Memorial Garages will no longer have gates or attendants, so entering and exiting will be faster.

Library visitors can park in the garage for two hours with no charge by using the library's Validation Stations. Simply enter your license plate number on the tablet located at library service desks. Plate numbers must be entered within 15 minutes of leaving your car.

Summer Art Camp for Kids: The West Hartford Art League is offering five weeks of summer art camp starting the week of June 26th. All sessions run for one week, Monday-Friday. Elementary school children attend 9:00 AM-12:00 PM and middle and high school students attend 1:00-4:00 PM. A complete schedule of classes can be found on-line at http://westhartfordart.org/summer-camp/

Celebrity Breakfast: Bring your appetite and \$15 to Effie's Place Family Restaurant, 91 Park Road, on Tuesday, June 6, 2017 from 7:00 AM to 10:00 AM and you will receive your choice of breakfast served by local celebrities.

The money raised will help the Park Road Business Association pay various expenses for the 17th annual Park Road Parade to be held on Saturday, October 7, 2017.

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